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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

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Sir:

In response to the outstanding Final Office Action dated October 19, 2005 ("Office Action"), and pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.116, the Applicant respectfully requests entry and consideration of the following amendments and remarks. The Applicant also submits herewith the following documents:

- (1) Transmittal Form, and
- (2) Fee Transmittal for FY 2005.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.